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Mr. William F.Caton Acting Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Room 222 Washington, D.C. 20554

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RE: CC Docket No 93-292

Dear Mr. Caton:

Today, Rick Tice, Larry Kepfer, Julia Strow and the undersigned, all representing BellSouth, met with Linda Dubroff and Mary DeLuca of the Common Carrier Bureau. The purpose of this meeting was to review BellSouth's fraud detection and control systems and procedures and BellSouth's positions on issues in the above referenced proceeding. The attached material was discussed in this meeting.

Please call me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

W. W (Whit) Jordan

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Attachment

cc:

Linda Dubroof

Mary DeLuca

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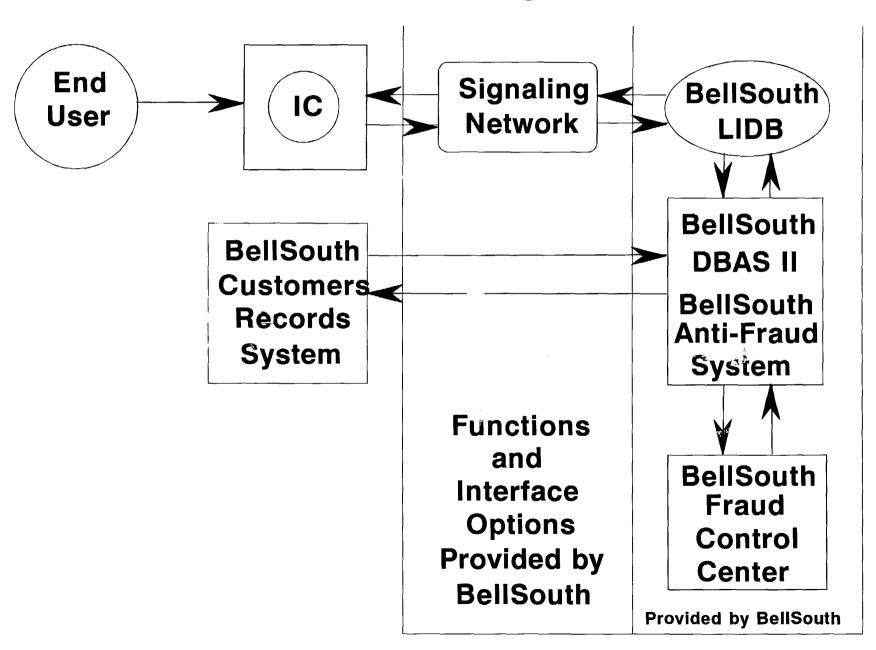
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# BellSouth

#### BellSouth Toll Fraud Control Network Configuration



#### **BellSouth Fraud Control Center**

- Located in Columbia, SC
- Operates 24 hours a day 7 days a week
- Staffed with 2 Managers
   3 Supervisors
   40 Investigators
- Handles approximately 7000 alerts monthly
- Investigators dedicated to fraud investigation

#### BellSouth Anti-Fraud System

- Monitors every LIDB query Calling Card Billed-to-Third Collect
- Monitors domestic and international cards
- Automatic deactivation for calling card
- Hacker detection
- Suspicious number list

BellSouth Anti-Fraud System (continued)

- Back-up systems
- Events tailored for specific area
- IC referrals
- System maintained history

#### **BellSouth**Investigation Procedures

Analyze Resources

Fraud Center History File Previous 3 Months Billing Previous Adjustments

- Customer Contact
- Disposition of Alert

Deactivate Calling Card
Disable Calling Card
Activate New PIN
Generate Service Order Activity
Customer Service Record Updated

BellSouth Anti-Fraud System Enhancements

- Domestic calling card
- Automatic deactivation for billed—to—third and collect
- On-line IC referrals
- Automatic denial/restoral
- Event scheduling

# **Toll Fraud Control** BellSouth

**BellSouth's Commitment** 

To minimize IC's financial exposure to

toll fraud associated with BellSouth

billing numbers

#### **BellSouth**Cellular Fraud Issues

 Fraud Resulting from cloning should rest with entity best able to detect it

In Equal Access environment toll losses should be absorbed by the IXC and cellular air time absorbed by the cellular carrier

Where cellular carrier is reselling interexchange the cellular carrier should absorb toll and air time charges

- IXCs can validate and monitor cellular calls
- Legislation should be passed to make tampering with the electronic serial number a crime

# **Subscription Fraud** BellSouth

Current Issue

Tariff Restrictions

## BellSouth Subscription Fraud Initiatives

- Profile of Perpetrator
- Credit Verification
  - POSID
  - Decision Power
  - Types of Security
  - Positive ID
- MCI FREWS Report
- Internal Fraud Conference
- TCLs

## BellSouth Subscription Fraud Initiatives

- Field Visits to Educate on Fraud
- 1992 Subscription Fraud Study
  - 53 Accounts Studied
  - No Business Office Errors Detected
  - Average 11 days in service
- Video to Educate Service Reps and Service Techs (Installers)
- Other Support Systems

#### BellSouth 1992 Customer Data

- 2.4M New applications for service
- 1.4M No previous service w/BST
- 25-30% Unknown to Equifax
- 386 Identified Subscription Fraud cases
- \$1.8 Million in Losses

# 1993 Subscription Fraud Results **BellSouth**

93 Subscription Fraud Cases

\$700K in Losses

#### **BellSouth**

Flexible Automatic Number Identification(Flex-ANI)

- No charge for service
- Only ANI 52 open in BST
- Opening code for one carrier can affect another carrier's service
- National forum recommendations are non-binding, i.e., voluntary implementation

## BellSouth Payphone Fraud

- Support NANP redesignation of 809 Area Code
- Support removal of fraudulent charges where the IPP has taken steps to protect against fraud
- Support Pre-Bill Edits to automatically remove the fraudulent charges where the IPP has appropriate blocking and screening on the line

#### BellSouth Payphone Recognition Tone

- Major expense to phone owner
- Interferes with polling of smart phones
- Degrades the domestic network
- Increased access time to ICs that do not carry international traffic
- No guarantee foreign operators will adhere
- Support TFPC resolution
- Tone can be placed in gateway switch
- Deployment at gateway will protect cellular and other services with Billed Number Screening

# BellSouth Clip-on Fraud

Demarcation point at a height of 8 feet

SmartLine Service available in 6 states